

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Nishikawa et al.	Confirmation No.:	9089
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For:	GENE PROMOTING VASCULAR ENDOTHELIAL CELL GROWTH		

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on May 28, 2008, Applicants elect Group III, claims 18-26, drawn to a polypeptide encoded by the polynucleotide of Invention I, without traverse.

A response is due on or before June 28, 2008. As such Applicants believe no fees are due with this submission. However, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 29473-013 US NATL.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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